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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

SIR:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant(s) respectfully request that the Examiner consider the references listed on the concurrently-transmitted Form PTO/SB/08.

I. Timeliness, Fees and Certifications in lieu of Fees

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the application, or within three months of entry into the national stage, or before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(b), consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement does not require a fee or a statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(e). However, should the Commissioner determine that a fee is, in fact, due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

II. Copies of Listed References

Copies of all references listed on the concurrently-transmitted Form PTO/SB/08 are being supplied.

Copies of U.S. patents are not included pursuant to Pre-OG Notice dated July 11, 2003.

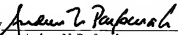
III. Concise Statement of Relevance

This application is a PCT national stage application, and all references listed on the concurrently-transmitted Form PTO/SB/08 were cited in the specification, or in the International Search Report, and a copy of that search report, which indicates the degree of relevance found by the International Search Authority, is also being transmitted herewith.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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